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of 12 February 1986 Meeting

[] advised that in response to his request to members for data, Mr. Anderson stated that the Secretary of Defense would submit a separate report to the HAC, and that he would provide a copy to SECOM. []

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[] noted that other Congressional sources are also asking for information on the polygraph. Congresswoman Schroeder wrote the DCI in January asking for material on polygraph examination of former CIA employee [] Ms. Schroeder and Congressman Edwards subsequently wrote the DCI and other agency heads asking for identification of persons to testify at hearings concerning the former Army polygraph training school lesson plan. Mr. Casper said he thought nine letters had been sent on this. He advised that Edwards/Schroeder want to discuss with agency experts the nexus between polygraph questions and espionage. He said [] would appreciate SECOM views on this to help him prepare answers to the Congressional inquiries. Mr.

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[] noted that such a nexus is one of the things SECOM has been trying to address through our behavioral science symposia. He advised that the Department of Energy is examining this sort of issue in its current review of human reliability programs. Mr. Casper said these questions go beyond polygraph examinations. He noted that questions similar to those addressed by Edwards/Schroeder are asked in the course of background investigations. Mr. Holcombe said OMB is questioning some of the matters asked about on SF-86. Mr. Casper said E.O. 10865 implementation includes questions similar to those at issue here. Mr. Anderson noted that the courts have adopted a concept of review in Green v. McElroy and similar cases that generally they will not look behind administrative procedures provided they are applied properly. He advised that the NSC Staff had responded to Department of Justice questions on the federal personnel security program. He stated that the answer gives little guidance, and merely authorizes a review of E.O. 10450 standards with Ms. Lawton's group tasked to prepare specifics for SIG-I consideration. Mr. [] said he wanted to put the nexus issue on the agenda for the next SECOM meeting. []

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ACTION: The Executive Secretary will include in the agenda for the 19 March 1986 SECOM meeting discussion of the nexus between personnel security questions and a potential for committing espionage. []

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ITEM 1 Approval of Minutes

In the absence of requests for change, the minutes of the 15 January 1986 meeting were approved as written. []

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ITEM 2 Security Awareness

[] noted agreement at the January meeting to ask Mr. Passarelli, Chairman of the Security Awareness and Education Subcommittee (SAES), to address this meeting and provide recommendations for SECOM consideration. Mr. Passarelli recommended preparation and use of an executive briefing for senior management. He said SAES members had reviewed the SECOM "security orientation for senior officials" and concluded that it needs updating. He suggested that the briefing be limited to SCI, take no more than an hour, include a videotaped DCI introduction and some examples at the SCI level to illustrate damage from poor security practices. He distributed an outline of his proposal. []

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